GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2480
ANSWERED ON:07.08.2001
TASK FORCE ON WOMEN AND CHILDREN
A. VENKATESH NAIK;ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have constituted two sub-groups under the Task Force on Women and Children to review the laws concerning women;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said Groups are likely to submit their reports?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Statement is attached (ANNEXURE), which mentions the composition of the two sub-groups and the laws assigned to them for review. The sub-groups were constituted by an Order dated 10th May, 2001.

(c) The sub-groups have since undertaken the review. Their recommendations are in the process of submission to the Chairman of the Task Force.

ANNEXURE

Sub-Group I of Task Force on Women and Children

Composition:

1. Ms. Nirmala Buch Chairperson

2. Ms. Nishigandha R. Mogal Member

3. Ms. Prabha Shankaranarayanan Member

4. Ms. Indira Jaisingh Member

5. Secretary, Ministry of Labour Member
6. Secretary, Department of Rural Development Member

7 Secretary, Legislative Department Member

8. Member-Secretary, National Commission for Women Member

9. Secretary, Department of Women and Child Development Member
10. Joint Secretary(WW), Department of Women and Child Development Convener
11. Deputy Secretary(WW), Department of Women and Child Development Co-convener

Laws assigned for review:

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1. Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 (61 of 1986)

2. Beedi and Cigar Workers (Conditions of Employment) Act, 1966 (32 of 1966)

3. Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976 (19 of 1976)

4. Cine-Workers and Cinema Theatre Workers (Regulation of Employment) Act, 1981 (50 of 1981)

5. Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970 (37 of 1970)
6. Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 (34 of 1948)

7 Equal Remuneration Act, 1976 (25 of 1976)

8. Factories Act, 1948 (63 of 1948) as amended in 1976

9. Inter-State Migrant Workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1979 (30 of 1979)
10. Legal Practitioners (Women) Act, 1923 (23 of 1923)
11. Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 (53 of 1961)
12. Minimum Wages Act, 1948 (11 of 1948)
13. Payment of Wages Act, 1936 (4 of 1936)
14. Plantations Labour Act, 1951 (69 of 1951)
15. Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 (8 of 1923)

Sub-Group II of Task Force on Women and Children

Composition:

1. Shri T.N. Chaturvedi, M.P Chairman

2. Ms. Radha Rajan Member

3. Ms. Padma Seth Member

4. Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowermen Member

5. Secretary, Department of Health Member
6. Secretary, Legislative Department Member

7 Member-Secretary, National Commission for Women Member

8. Secretary, Department of Women and Child Development Member

9. Joint Secretary(WW), Department of Women and Child development Convener
10. Deputy Secretary(WW),Department of Women and Child development Co-convener

Laws assigned for review:

1. Commission of Sati (Prevention) Act, 1987 (3 of 1988)

2. Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 (28 of 1961)

3. Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986 (60 of 1986)

4. Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 (104 of 1956)

5. Family Courts Act, 1984 (66 of 1984)
6. Provisions of IPC and Cr.PC